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**RESPONSE TO NOTIFICATION OF MISSING REQUIREMENTS UNDER 35 USC § 371 IN**  
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The Notification indicates that the oath or declaration is missing. Therefore, enclosed is an executed Declaration and Power of Attorney for the above-identified application.

Respectfully submitted,

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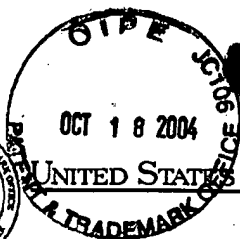
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The following items have been submitted by the applicant or the IB to the United States Patent and Trademark Office as a Designated / Elected Office (37 CFR 1.495).

- Copy of the International Application filed on 06/30/2004
- Copy of the International Search Report filed on 06/30/2004
- Preliminary Amendments filed on 06/30/2004
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- U.S. Basic National Fees filed on 06/30/2004
- Priority Documents filed on 06/30/2004

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The following items **MUST** be furnished within the period set forth below in order to complete the requirements for acceptance under 35 U.S.C. 371:

- Oath or declaration of the inventors, in compliance with 37 CFR 1.497(a) and (b), identifying the application by the International application number and international filing date.
- \$130 Surcharge for providing the oath or declaration later than 30 months from the priority date (37 CFR 1.492(e)) is required.

## SUMMARY OF FEES DUE:

Total additional fees required for this application is \$130 for a Large Entity:

- \$130 Late oath or declaration Surcharge.

ALL OF THE ITEMS SET FORTH ABOVE MUST BE SUBMITTED WITHIN TWO (2) MONTHS FROM THE DATE OF THIS NOTICE OR BY 32 MONTHS FROM THE PRIORITY DATE FOR THE APPLICATION, WHICHEVER IS LATER. FAILURE TO PROPERLY RESPOND WILL RESULT IN ABANDONMENT.

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*A copy of this notice **MUST** be returned with the response.*

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